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In re Application of:)	
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Hideo ANDO et al.)	Group Art Unit: 2616
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Application No.: 09/662,217)	Examiner: BOCCIO, Vincent F.
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Filed: September 14, 2000)	
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For: MEDIUM FOR STORING)	Confirmation No.: 9456
AUDIO/IMAGE INFORMATION)	
AND MANAGEMENT SYSTEM)	
THEREOF)	

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Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents on the attached listing. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination in the above-referenced application. Further, Applicants concurrently file a Petition for Withdrawal of Patent from Issue in this case.

Copies of the listed foreign documents are attached. Copies of the listed U.S. patent and the published U.S. patent applications are not enclosed.

Applicants also bring to the attention of the Examiner co-pending, U.S. Application No. 09/659,583, filed September 11, 2000, in the names of Hideo Ando et al., and entitled "System for Recording Audio Information with Image." A copy of the

listed co-pending application is stored in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's image file wrapper system. Therefore, a copy of the application is not being submitted.

The following is a concise statement of relevance of the two listed Japanese language documents:

1. Japanese Publication No. 62-234474 discloses management information relating to audio information displayed in synchronism with still image display.

2. Japanese Publication No. 51-21726 discloses an image display and a slow-motion display mode.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and Applicants determine that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicants reserves the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please
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Respectfully submitted,

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